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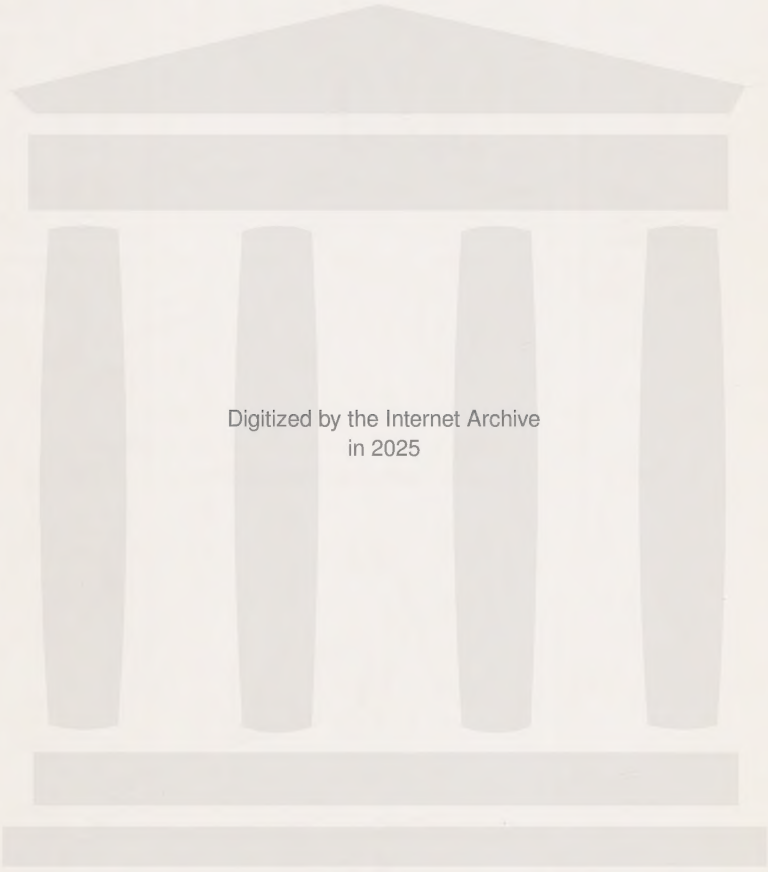

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Jewelled Cover of a Gospel Book in the John Rylands Library. 10th–12th century.

The centre panel is of ivory, probably German work of the 10th century, carved in high relief with the Annunciation, the Nativity and the Baptism of Christ. It is mounted in a silver-gilt frame, divided into panels with *repoussé* figures of Our Lord and Saints, the intermediate panels being decorated with filigree work, and jewels and pastes cut *en cabochon*. The selection of Saints is characteristic of Trèves.